Cooperative Labour Contract Society Liimted, were making short payment to labourers;

(b) if so, how much amount of short payment was detected;

(c) whether amount of short payment has been paid to the workers and recovered from the Society;

(d) whether payment to workers was made in presence of representative of the Society and Society's consent was obtained in writing for recovering the amount from their running bills and security deposit; and

(e) whether it is a fact that the Society wrote two letters for making the recovery of short payment from their bills in instalments of Rs. 10,000 per month and also made allegations against Assistant Labour Commissioner (Central) Kanpur?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Total of Rs. 1,48,233.00, comprising of one case of Rs. 39,064.00 and another case of Rs. 1,09,169.00.

(c) Payments amounting to Rs. 29,886.00 in the first case and Rs. 1,08,269.00 in the second case were made. However, further payments have been stopped as a result of interim order of the Allahabad High Court.

(d) Consent of the Society for recovery of such amounts paid to the labourers by the principal employer is not required under Section 21(4) of the Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Act, 1970. However, the Society was advised of the payments being made to the labourers at the instance of the Assistant Labour Commissioner, Kanpur. The Society's representative was also present during the payment made in the first case.

(e) The Society had requested that the amount of Rs. 39,064.00 be deducted in instalments of Rs. 10,000. However, in respect of the second amount, viz., Rs. 1,09,169, no such request nor allegation against Assistant Labour Commissioner (Central), Kanpur, was received from the Society.

Ash pit and cinder picking contract at Aligarh Loco Shed

2341. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for inviting limited tenders for cleaning of ash pit and cinder picking work etc. at Aligarh Loco Shed, when M/s. Railway Parcels & Goods Porters' Cooperative Labour Contract Society Ltd., were working satisfactorily;

(b) whether there were reports against the Society for making short payment to workers in collusion with Shed Assistant, Aligarh Loco Shed;

(c) if so, whether any enquiry was conducted and action taken against the defaulting Society; and

(d) what are the reasons for not acceding to the request of M/s. Parcels Handling Sahkari Shram Samvida Samiti Ltd., Aligarh, for allotment of above contract by negotiations in accordance with directives and circulars issued by Railway Board?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Contract for Coal Handling, Cinder Picking and Ash Handling work to M/s. Railway Cycle Stand Karmachari Shram Samvida Sahkari Samiti Ltd. At Allahabad Loco Shed

2342. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether M/s. Railway Cycle Stand Karmachari Shram Samvida

Sahkari Samiti Ltd., Allahabad applied to the Divisional Railway Manager, Allahabad, to allow them to carry on the coal handling, cinder picking and ash handling work at Allahabad on existing terms, conditions and rates paid and settled with outgoing Society upto the 20th August, 1986;

(b) the names of other Societies which offered to carry on the work; and

(c) whether their request was not acceded to by the Divisional Railway Manager/Senior Divisional Mechanical Engineer when similar request of a particular Society was considered to carry on the work at Kanpur and Tundla Loco Shed, if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Allotment of goods handling contract at Allahabad to M/s. Railway Cycle Stand Karmachari Shram Samvida Sahkari Samiti Ltd.

2343. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Senior Divisional Commercial Superintendent, Allahabad on 3rd November, 1980 ordered termination of goods handling contract of Allahabad Loco-Shed on account of bad performance of M/s. Railway Cycle Stand Karmachari Shram Samvida Sahkari Samiti Ltd. and on the same day recommended to Divisional Railway Manager for one months notice to the Society;

(b) whether in spite of the fact that the contract was terminated w.e.f. 19th December, 1980 the same Senior DCS recommended to Headquarters Office for restoration of contract to the same society; and

(c) if so, the reasons for which the same Society has been considered for allotment of coal handling, cinder picking and ash handling contract at Allahabad Loco Shed by the Senior Divisional Mechanical Engineer under the same Divisional Railway Manager?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and the same will be placed on the Table of the Sabha.

Ban on the corticosteroids combinations

2344. SHRI B. V. ABDULLA KOYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have issued notification for banning the marketing of corticosteroids with other drugs;

(b) whether it is also a fact that such a decision has been taken on the basis of large criticism and experts advice;

(c) whether it is also a fact that these combinations have been found grossly abused;

(d) what are the names of all the brands marketed in the country based on corticosteroids with other drugs and anabolic steroids with Vitamins along with the names of drug companies;

(e) what are the names of the States where drug authorities have taken action for withdrawal of these combinations; and

(f) the names of products and companies which have withdrawn their products and the action taken against the guilty?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI